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In response to the Office Action mailed February 19, 2008, the extended term for response to which expires on June 19, 2008, applicant comments as follows:

Claim Rejections-35 U.S.C. 102/103

Claims 1-3, 7-20, 23-25, 29 and 30 were rejected in view of Leiboff (U.S. Pat. No. 4,637,814) and Majlessi (U.S. Pat. No. 4,842,583), and claims 4-6, 21, 22 and 26-28 were rejected in view of Leiboff, Majlessi and Stevens (U.S. Pat. No. 4,811,743).

The Examiner's rejections are respectfully traversed for two reasons: 1) it would not have been obvious to modify Leiboff in view of Majlessi and Stevens and arrive at the embodiments of the invention set forth in claims 1-6 and 23-28; and 2) the cited prior art does not disclose all of the features of claims 7-22, 29 and 20.

Obviousness Argument (claims 1-6 and 23-28)

It would not have been obvious to a person skilled in the art at the time the invention was made "to have modified the device